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In re U.S. Patent Application of

KAWASHIMA

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METHOD AND APPARATUS OF THE SAME

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Independent Claims	1	4	1 (Over 3)	x \$84	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$280	0
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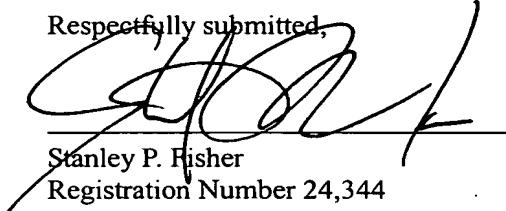
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Respectfully submitted,


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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 30, 2002, the shortened period for response to which will expire on June 30, 2002. Applicants hereby elect the continuing prosecution of Group I, Claims 1-3, drawn to a cushion structure used as a seat cushion or backrest of a seat without traverse.

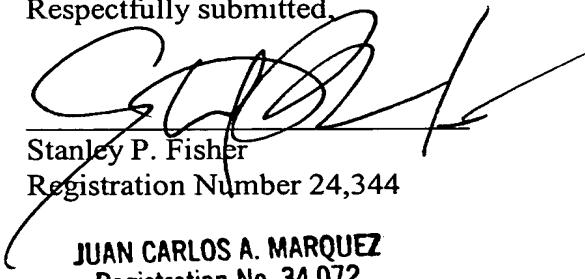
REMARKS

The above election along with the following remarks are being submitted as a full and complete response to the Official Action dated May 30, 2002, the period for response to which will expire on June 30, 2002. The Examiner is respectfully requested to review the substance of Claims 1-3 and to indicate the allowability of the claims.

Claims 1-3, drawn to a cushion structure used as a seat cushion or backrest of a seat have been elected in this application, while the other claims 4-7 are withdrawn from further prosecution without prejudice. Applicants hereby reserve the right to file a divisional application on any or all of the non-elected claims.

Substantive consideration of the elected claims is respectfully solicited. Should there be any outstanding issues requiring discussion that would further the prosecution and allowance of the above-captioned application, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative at the address and phone number indicated below.

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